



The High Cost of Vaccinating One Child through School Entry: Public vs Private Sector Purchase

Vaccine	# Doses Recommended thru School Entry	Public Sector Cost <i>(in dollars)</i>		Private Sector Cost <i>(in dollars)</i>	
		Per Dose	All Recommended Doses	Per Dose	All Recommended Doses
Pediarix (DTaP/ Hep B/ Polio)	3	35.48	106.44	70.72	212.16
Hepatitis B (birth dose)	1	9.50	9.50	21.37	21.37
DTaP	2	13.75	27.50	20.96	41.92
Polio	1	10.14	10.14	21.80	21.80
PedvaxHIB	3	9.95	29.85	22.77	68.31
MMR	2	16.25	32.50	36.84	73.68
PCV7	4	51.58	206.32	61.65	246.60
Varicella	1	48.00	48.00	60.69	60.69
Hepatitis A	2	11.50	23.00	26.66	53.32
Influenza	2 [†]	10.00	20.00	12.00	24.00
TOTAL	21		\$513.25		\$823.85

* Per National Immunization Program contract information (compiled 5/24/04)

[†] Children being vaccinated for the first time should receive 2 doses. Although additional doses of influenza may be recommended in subsequent years, only 2 doses are listed for the purposes of this analysis.